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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR TRANSMITTING  
INFORMATION IN AN OPTICAL COMMUNICATION  
SYSTEM WITH LOW SIGNAL DISTORTION

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